

PATENT APPLICATION  
Docket No. 14321.92

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: )  
Yasuaki Hashizume et al. )  
Serial No.: 10/598,856 ) Art Unit  
Filing Date: April 10, 2007 ) 2883  
Confirmation No.: 1386 )  
For: PLANAR LIGHTWAVE CIRCUIT TYPE )  
VARIABLE OPTICAL ATTENUATOR )  
Examiner: Brian Healy )

AMENDMENT "A" AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Examiner:

Applicant submits this paper in response to the Office Action mailed October 16, 2007. Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.